

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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Subpart A—General

§ 14.1 Scope of regulations.

(a) The terms "Nuclear Regulatory Commission" and "NRC" as used in this part mean the agency established by section 201(a) of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, but do not include any contractor with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

(b) The regulations in this part supplement the Department of Justice's regulations in 28 CFR parts 14 and 15.

(c) These regulations apply to administrative claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act, as amended, asserted on or after the effective date of this rule, for money damages against the United States for damage to or loss of property or personal injury or death caused by the negligent or wrongful act or omission of any employee of the NRC while acting within the scope of his or her office or employment, under circumstances where the United States, if a private person, would be liable to the claimant in accordance with the law of the place where the act or omission occurred.

(d) These regulations also set forth the procedures when lawsuits are commenced against an employee of the NRC resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle while acting within the scope of his or her employment.

§ 14.3 Limit on attorney fees; penalty.

(a) An attorney may not charge or receive fees in excess of:

- (1) 25 percent of any judgment rendered under 28 U.S.C. 1346(b);
- (2) 25 percent of any settlement made under 28 U.S.C. 2677; or
- (3) 20 percent of any award, compromise, or settlement made under 28 U.S.C. 2672.

(b) Any attorney who charges or receives any amount in excess of that allowed under this section is subject to a fine of not more than \$2,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both. (28 U.S.C. 2678)

Subpart B—Filing Procedures and Requirements

§ 14.11 Who may file a claim.

(a) A claim for damage to or loss of property may be presented by the owner of the property interest which is the subject of the claim, his or her duly authorized agent, or his or her legal representative.

(b) A claim for personal injury may be presented by the injured person, his or her duly authorized agent, or his or her legal representative.